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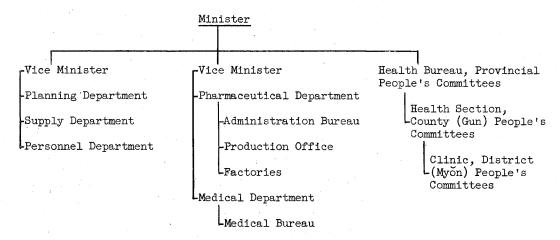
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1. In August 1952 the North Korean Ministry of Health was organized as follows:



- 2. The employees of the North Korean Ministry of Health fall into four categories:
  - Doctors: they must be graduates of the KIM Il-song University's medical department or Japanese medical schools and must pass a national medical examination. Doctors are paid 4,800 won and receive 1.4 small mal of rice and 1.4 small mal of mixed grains each month.
  - b. Medical assistants: they must have some medical training and pass a RECORDS CENTER

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national examination. They are paid 3,900 won and receive 1.4 small mal of rice and 1.4 mal of mixed grains each month.

- c. Health instructors: the ministry sends health instructors, who are all members of the North Korean Labor Party, to provincial and county health sections to give political instruction to health section members.
- d. Nurses: they are paid 700 to 900 won and receive 1.4 small mal of rice and 1 small mal of mixed grains per month.
- 3. In August there was a drug factory in Sinuiju under the control of the pharmaceutical department of the ministry.
- 4. In mid-July 1952 the most prevalent diseases in North Korea were recurrent fever, eruptive typhus, dysentery, and small pox. About 60 percent of the patients suffering from these diseases died.
- 5. A district clinic serving the population of Yangjong-myŏn (125-38, 38-53) (YD-2807) was in Yangjong-ni in August 1952. The clinic was headed by KIM Tüksim (6855/1779/1800) with SŎ Chong-hyŏk (1776/6945/6378), aged 26, as surgeon, and KIM Ye-sun (6855/4409/8642), aged 27, as medical assistant, KIM Ch'ang-ik (6855/2490/5065, aged 33, was the clerk and YI T'ae+su (2621/3141/3178), aged 33, was the accountant. KIM Su-cha (6855/2219/1311), YI Kyŏng-ae (2621/2416/1947), and CH'A Ok-cha (6508/3768/1311) were nurses.

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